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BOZEMAN, MONTANA

FOREWORD

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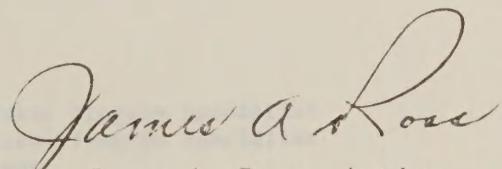
FOREWORD

This 1975 Annual Report is a summarization by county and program of the activities and accomplishments of the Montana State Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service.

ASCS is truly a farm oriented agency of the United States Department of Agriculture. Through the dedicated efforts of the farmer committee system, county office staffs, and state office personnel we are able to successfully administer the farm programs assigned us.

Our appreciation is extended to our entire State ASCS family and especially to our District Directors for their untiring efforts. We also wish to extend our appreciation to other USDA agencies, State agency people, and farm organizations who have contributed to our operation. To all we offer a sincere "Thank you."

June 27, 1977



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ADMINISTRATIVE

NET ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE

1975 Fiscal Year

<u>County Office</u>	<u>Expense</u>
Beaverhead	\$ 24,512
Big Horn	52,064
Blaine	51,743
Broadwater	31,112
Carbon	42,458
Carter	27,923
Cascade	48,038
Chouteau	60,874
Custer	34,479
Daniels	54,207
Dawson	58,018
Fallon	35,039
Fergus	86,122
Flathead	39,256
Gallatin	62,010
Garfield	27,275
Glacier	37,904
Hill	71,255
Jefferson	23,059
Judith Basin	39,663
Lake	29,880
Lewis & Clark	25,009
Liberty	41,273
McCone	49,574
Missoula	34,211
Musselshell	24,457
Park	18,705
Phillips	44,133
Pondera	58,210
Powder River	26,597
Powell	43,139
Prairie	25,569
Ravalli	24,918
Richland	71,541
Roosevelt	68,407
Rosebud	43,118
Sanders	33,185
Sheridan	74,207
Stillwater	36,246
Sweet Grass	21,856
Teton	64,543
Toole	69,382
Valley	45,946
Wheatland	37,758
Wibaux	30,318
Yellowstone	54,664
TOTAL	\$ 2,003,858
Expenses paid by SO for counties	<u>15,315</u>
	<u>\$ 2,019,173</u>



DATA ON ELECTIONS HELD IN 1974
FOR TERMS BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 1975

<u>County</u>	<u>Number of Communities</u>	<u>No. of Eligible Voters</u>	<u>No. of Ballots Counted</u>	<u>Percent Voting</u>
Beaverhead	1	237	97	40.9
Big Horn	6	1142	223	19.5
Blaine	4	1086	373	34.3
Broadwater	1	431	219	50.8
Carbon	6	1078	390	36.2
Carter	3	530	229	43.2
Cascade	7	1684	620	36.8
Chouteau	14	2116	828	39.1
Custer	6	640	275	43.0
Daniels	3	1043	434	41.6
Dawson	3	1284	382	29.7
Deer Lodge	1	131	55	42.0
Fallon	3	615	282	45.8
Fergus	11	1571	565	36.0
Flathead	5	1444	508	35.2
Gallatin	3	1070	288	26.9
Garfield	4	400	165	41.2
Glacier	3	1626	220	13.5
Golden Valley	3	499	164	32.9
Granite	1	307	114	37.1
Hill	4	2131	780	36.6
Jefferson	1	237	75	31.6
Judith Basin	9	551	257	46.6
Lake	4	2028	396	19.5
Lewis & Clark	3	595	186	31.3
Liberty	5	707	287	40.6
Lincoln	1	413	34	8.2
McCone	3	1236	450	36.4
Madison	3	473	151	31.9
Meagher	1	386	68	17.6
Mineral	1	132	54	40.9
Missoula	1	960	221	23.0
Musselshell	3	670	208	31.0
Park	3	798	250	31.3
Petroleum	1	180	62	34.4
Phillips	9	708	240	33.9
Pondera	5	1527	524	34.3
Powder River	7	557	221	39.7
Powell	1	412	140	34.0
Prairie	3	450	205	45.5
Ravalli	1	1867	343	18.4
Richland	4	1458	523	35.9
Roosevelt	13	2419	620	25.6
Rosebud	5	1108	291	26.3
Sanders	4	555	165	29.7
Sheridan	4	1824	614	33.7
Silver Bow	1	122	51	41.8
Stillwater	7	1104	562	50.9
Sweet Grass	1	425	152	35.8
Teton	13	1433	611	42.6
Toole	5	782	291	37.2
Treasure	1	347	100	28.8
Valley	3	1613	588	36.4
Wheatland	1	503	140	27.8
Wibaux	3	426	199	46.7
Yellowstone	5	1732	445	25.7
TOTALS	227	51,803	16,935	32.7

AGRICULTURAL CONSERVATION PROGRAM

The Agricultural Conservation Program (ACP) is authorized under the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act of 1936, as amended. The program has been authorized every year since that time except in 1973. However, in 1974 the 1973 and 1974 programs were operated concurrently. The title of the program was changed in the period 1971 - 1974 but in 1975 Congress restored the original ACP title.

With emphasis on enduring practices, ACP is the principal channel through which the Federal Government shares with farmers and ranchers the cost of carrying out approved soil, water, woodland and wildlife conservation practices on their land to help maintain the productive capacity of American agriculture.

The program is administered by farmer-elected county ASC committees in each county.

In a departure from the past, specific practices were not included in the National program. County ASC committees, working with county program development groups had full authority to develop each county's practices. However, county groups generally adopted the practices which had been included in previous National and State programs.

All agricultural producers were eligible to apply for ACP cost-sharing. The cost-share levels varied from 50 percent to a maximum of 75 percent of the cost of performing approved practices.

In order to receive cost-sharing, the farmer or rancher must complete the practice according to recognized standards and specifications developed by Montana State University, the Soil Conservation Service, or U.S. Forest Service, depending upon the type of practice.

Long Term Agreements (LTA's) For the second year, long-term agreements were authorized in all counties west of the Continental Divide plus Beaverhead, Jefferson, Madison, Gallatin, Lewis & Clark and Park Counties (counties where the Great Plains Conservation Program is not authorized). Producers can enter into long term agreements for periods of from 3 to 10 years. This affords the farmer a chance to plan and carry out the conservation work needed on his farm over an extended period with cost share funds assured for the period of the agreement. All funds for the entire length of agreements approved in 1975 had to be set aside from 1975 ACP county allocations.

Emergency Conservation Measures (ECM) Emergency Conservation Measures are authorized by Public Law 85-58. This law provides for the allocation of emergency funds which are used to share with farmers and ranchers the cost of measures performed to control severe erosion on farmlands and to rehabilitate farmlands damaged by tornadoes, floods and other natural disasters. Eligibility for ECM assistance is determined by the ASC county committee on an individual basis considering the type and extent of damage and the farmer's capability to rehabilitate the damaged farmland.

In 1975, severe damage to farmland and irrigation systems was incurred in many Montana valleys due to prolonged high water and lowland flooding. ECM was authorized in 27 counties. Cost-sharing was authorized for removing debris, grading, shaping or releveling farmland, restoring permanent fences, and restoring irrigation systems and other installations.

A tabulation of accomplishments and cost-shares paid under the 1975 ACP, including LTA's and ECM follows:

PRACTICE SUMMARY - 1975 PROGRAM YEAR

POOLING AGREEMENTS - REGULAR ACP

Number of agreements	72
Number of farms participating	393
Cost-Shares	346,543

PRACTICE SUMMARY - REGULAR ACP

Practice No.	Practice	No. Farms	Units	No. Units	Cost-Shares (Exclude SCI)
RE-1	Establishing Permanent Vegetative Cover	987	Acre	56,842	\$ 521,368
RE-2	Improving Permanent Vegetative Cover	233	Acre	307,747	165,203
RE-3	Planting Trees	2	Acre	6	140
RE-4	Improving a Stand of Forest Trees	92	Acre	1,286	85,969
RE-5	Water Impoundment Reservoirs	154	Number A. Served	194 138,647	164,132
RE-6	Stripcropping	66	Acre	15,428	33,414
RE-8	Diversion	88	A. Served	5,606	87,761
RE-9	Streambank Stabilization	197	A. Served	13,920	204,955
RE-10	Permanent Wildlife Habitat	1	A. Served	10	1,062
RE-11	Sediment Retention, Erosion or Water Control Structures	16	Number A. Served	9 1,765	19,129
RE-12	Sediment, Chemical or Water Runoff Control Measures	92	A. Served	16,091	60,683
RE-13	Windbreaks or Shelterbelts	62	A. Served	3,664	15,823
RE-14	Reorganizing Irrigation Systems	780	A. Served	72,657	1,028,838
SB-4	Mechanical Treatment of Noncrop Grazing Land	2	Acre	330	990
SB-5	Livestock Water Facilities	383	Number A. Served	379 323,023	362,779
SB-11	Constructing Stock Trails	1	A. Served	3,000	754
SB-12	Controlling Noxious Weeds	611	Acre	39,152	235,487
SC-9	Permanent Open Drainage Systems	133	A. Served	10,604	69,628
SC-10	Underground Drainage Systems	26	A. Served	1,107	23,122
SC-11	Land Shaping or Grading	3	A. Served	42	2,166
SC-17	Subsoiling	1	Acre	44	330
SE-5	Home Gardens	1	Acre	1	20

(Cont. on next page)

PRACTICE SUMMARY - 1975 PROGRAM YEAR

PRACTICE SUMMARY - REGULAR ACP

Prac-tice No.	Practice	No. Farms	Units	No. Units	Cost-Shares (Exclude SCI)
SH	Beautification-Conservation Prac.	1	Acre	4	500
SI	Animal Waste Storage & Diversion Fac. 39		Number	40	60,423
SL	Disposal Pits for Solid Waste	11	Number	11	2,320
S4	Renovating Field Windbreaks	20	Acre	56	17,848
S8	Tall Wheatgrass Row Barriers	5	A. Served	1,014	1,185
S9	Saline Seep Control Measures	26	A. Served	2,069	9,620
TOTALS		4,033			\$ 3,175,649

PRACTICE SUMMARY - LONG TERM AGREEMENTS

Prac-tice No.	Practice	No. Farms	Units	No. Units	Cost-Shares (Exclude SCI)
RE-1	Est. Permanent Vegetative Cover	53	Acre	2,283	32,313
RE-2	Impr. Permanent Vegetative Cover	7	Acre	4,467	5,038
RE-3	Planting Trees	3	Acre	37	3,102
RE-4	Improving a Stand of Forest Trees	23	Acre	314	22,596
RE-5	Water Impoundment Reservoirs	3	Number	3	1,843
			A. Served	235	
RE-6	Stripcropping	1	Acre	72	133
RE-8	Diversions	2	A. Served	108	357
RE-9	Streambank Stabilization	4	A. Served	221	5,274
RE-10	Permanent Wildlife Habitat	2	A. Served	103	204
RE-11	Sediment Retention, Erosion or Water Control Structures	1	Number	2	977
			A. Served	200	
RE-12	Sediment, Chemical or Water Runoff Control Measures	3	A. Served	126	2,189
RE-13	Windbreaks or Shelterbelts	1	A. Served	18	44
RE-14	Reorganizing Irrigation Systems	41	A. Served	5,585	79,348
SB-5	Livestock Water Facilities	12	Number	14	7,304
			A. Served	3,470	
SI	Animal Waste Storage & Diversion Facilities	1	Number	2	1,279
TOTALS		157			\$ 162,001

PRACTICE SUMMARY - EMERGENCY CONSERVATION MEASURES

EC	Emergency Conservation Measures	1,145	A. Served	576,711	1,758,186
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BEEKEEPER INDEMNITY PROGRAM

The Beekeeper Indemnity Payment Program provides for payments to beekeepers who, through no fault of their own, suffer losses of honey bees due to the application of USDA approved pesticides.

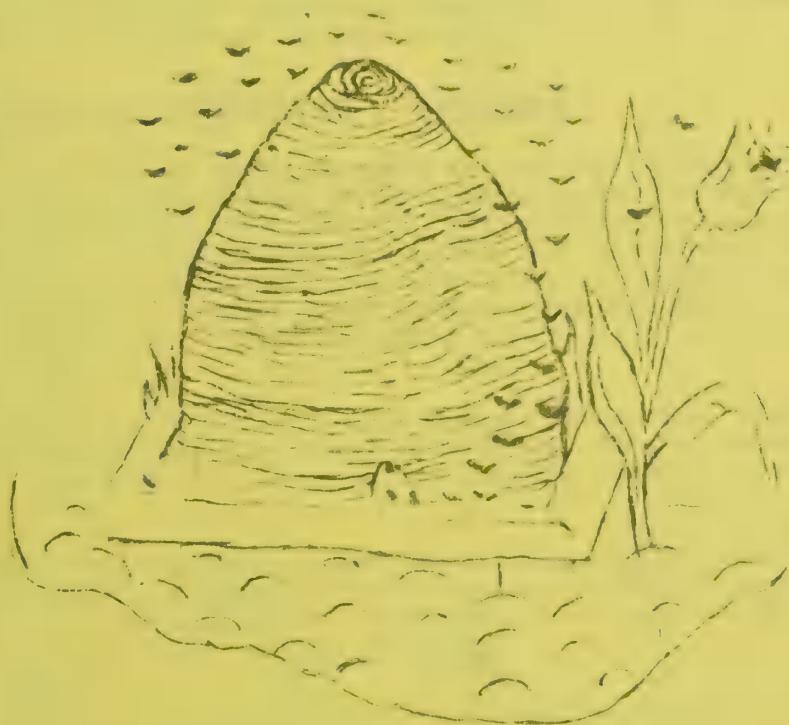
Beekeepers applying for indemnification under this program must establish that the loss was caused solely by the use of pesticides near or adjacent to his apiary and occurred without his fault, that he took all reasonable precautions to protect his bees from exposure, and that he took reasonable action to minimize the bee loss to the extent that such action was feasible.

Payments were based on the degree of loss as follows:

- 1 \$22.50 for each colony destroyed
- 2 \$15.00 for each colony severely damaged
- 3 \$ 7.50 for each colony moderately damaged
- 4 \$ 7.50 for each queen nucleus destroyed

The severity of loss was determined by qualified bee inspectors. No payment was made for honey production losses.

<u>County</u>	<u>Number of Claims</u>	<u>Indemnity</u>
Big Horn	2	\$ 1,320.00
Yellowstone	1	6,097.50
TOTALS	3	7,417.50



COMMODITY LOANS & PURCHASES

Price support loans and purchases are basic methods of making price support available to agricultural producers. Other methods of support include direct purchases and payments.

Loan programs enable producers to exercise greater independence in their marketing operations. They give farmers the opportunity to spread out marketings over a larger part of the year by holding their crops and still obtain ready cash for immediate needs. If the opportunity does not arise for the producer to profitably pay off his loan and sell the grain on the open market, the loan may be satisfied in full by paying the service fee and turning the collateral over to the Commodity Credit Corporation.

Price support was available in 1974 to Montana farmers on wheat, barley, oats, rye, flaxseed, corn dry beans, and honey. With the exception of corn, barley, and wheat, loans and purchases were available without limitation as to acreage or production.

Loans may be obtained in grain stored either on farms or in warehouses. Generally, loans on farm-stored grains are made at the county basic price support loan rate on a maximum of 90 percent of the measured quantity of grain in storage. A protein premium may be obtained on farm-stored wheat if the producer requests it and pays for sampling and testing. If farm-stored grain is delivered to Commodity Credit Corporation at maturity date in settlement of a loan, settlement is computed on the basis of the actual quantity and quality of grain delivered.

Loans are made on grain stored in warehouses on the basis of the actual quantity and quality of the grain as represented by the warehouse receipt.

Healthy market prices well above loan program levels eliminated the need for loan extensions; therefore, reseal loans were not authorized for the 1975-76 storage period for any commodity.

STORAGE FACILITY LOANS

The Farm Storage & Drying Equipment Loan Program is designed to help producers provide adequate on-farm facilities for storage & handling of at least one year's production. With sufficient storage, a producer may hold his grain, take a price support loan if necessary, and wait for the best possible marketing opportunity. A combination of adequate storage and price support helps producers spread marketing over the year & relieves pressure on transportation and commercial storage facilities at harvest time.

Basically, the FS-DE Loan Program offers producers loans up to 70% (but not to exceed \$25,000) of the cost of building or acquiring needed storage facilities & dryers. Needs are determined on the basis of one year's production.

Interest on these loans is based on the semiannual adjustment provisions of the program, and was charged at the rate of 9.375 % for the period Jan. 1 thru March 31, 6.125 % from April 1 thru September 30, and 7.5 % for the balance of the year.



COMMODITY LOANS AND PURCHASES

LOAN AND PURCHASE RATES - 1974 CROP YEAR

<u>County</u>	<u>Wheat (#1)</u>	<u>Barley (#2)</u>	<u>Oats (#3)</u>	<u>Flax (#1)</u>
Beaverhead	\$ 1.23	\$.84	\$.56	\$
Big Horn	1.24	.80	.50	
Blaine	1.24	.75	.47	2.20
Broadwater	1.25	.87	.52	2.20
Carbon	1.24	.80	.51	2.20
Carter	1.26	.72	.47	2.31
Cascade	1.24	.83	.51	2.20
Chouteau	1.24	.79	.49	2.20
Custer	1.26	.74	.47	2.27
Daniels	1.25	.71	.44	2.28
Dawson	1.25	.74	.44	2.32
Deer Lodge	1.25	.90	.54	
Fallon	1.26	.72	.45	2.32
Fergus	1.24	.81	.49	2.20
Flathead	1.27	.95	.54	2.20
Gallatin	1.25	.90	.52	
Garfield	1.25	.75	.46	
Glacier	1.24	.82	.51	2.20
Golden Valley	1.24	.80	.50	2.20
Granite	1.25	.88	.55	
Hill	1.24	.78	.48	2.20
Jefferson	1.25	.90	.53	
Judith Basin	1.24	.80	.50	
Lake	1.25	.88	.55	
Lewis & Clark	1.24	.81	.53	2.20
Liberty	1.24	.80	.49	2.20
Lincoln	1.28	.95	.56	
McCone	1.25	.74	.45	2.30
Madison	1.25	.90	.54	2.20
Meagher	1.25	.84	.51	
Mineral	1.26	.92	.56	
Missoula	1.26	.92	.55	
Musselshell	1.24	.79	.49	
Park	1.25	.88	.52	
Petroleum	1.24	.77	.48	
Phillips	1.24	.72	.46	2.20
Pondera	1.24	.81	.50	2.20
Powder River	1.25	.74	.49	2.25
Powell	1.25	.90	.54	
Prairie	1.26	.74	.46	2.29
Ravalli	1.25	.88	.55	
Richland	1.25	.71	.43	2.32
Roosevelt	1.25	.71	.43	2.31
Rosebud	1.24	.75	.48	2.20
Sanders	1.26	.92	.56	
Sheridan	1.25	.70	.42	2.30
Silver Bow	1.25	.90	.54	
Stillwater	1.24	.80	.51	
Sweet Grass	1.25	.83	.51	
Teton	1.24	.81	.50	2.20
Toole	1.24	.81	.50	2.20
Treasure	1.24	.75	.49	
Valley	1.24	.72	.45	2.26
Wheatland	1.24	.81	.50	
Wibaux	1.26	.72	.44	2.33
Yellowstone	1.24	.80	.51	2.20

Corn (#2) - \$1.19 per bushel in all counties

Honey (White) - 21.4 cents per pound in all counties

Beans (#1) - Pinto - \$ 6.27 cwt. in all counties

Great Northern - \$ 7.01 cwt in all counties

Rye (#2) - 75 cents per bushel in all counties

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ASCS LOANS MADE BY COUNTY OFFICES

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	BARLEY	OATS	WHEAT	HONEY	BINS & DRYER.
	• NEW LOANS	• NEW LOANS	• NEW LOANS	• NEW LOANS	• NEW LOANS
BEAVERHD	• NO UNIT AMT.	1 21,600 17,280	9 110,120 136,748	4 34,945 12,709	1 10,308
BIG HORN	• NO UNIT AMT.	1 21,600 17,280	4 29,880	4 47,252	
BLAINE	• NO UNIT AMT.	2 30,600 22,950	4 37,069	7 13,863	
BROADWTR	• NO UNIT AMT.	1 1,377	1 1,377	16 104,464	
CARBON	• NO UNIT AMT.	1 4,119 3,295	1 1,721	4 48,628	
CARTER	• NO UNIT AMT.	1 115,003	1 141,983	2 46,400	
CASCADE	• NO UNIT AMT.	1 14,227	2 17,926	10 10,974	
CHOUTEAU	• NO UNIT AMT.	1 4,500 3,555	5 99,187	10 116,852	
CUSTER	• NO UNIT AMT.	1 3,240 2,397	1 123,049	8 35,314	
DANIELS	• NO UNIT AMT.	1 2,970 3,742	1 182,087	18 173,607	
DAWSON	• NO UNIT AMT.	7 50,400 63,000	1 225,757	5 50,679	
FALLON	• NO UNIT AMT.	2 49,996 17,555	2 7 50,400	2 6,546	
FERGUS	• NO UNIT AMT.	3 48,980 60,734	2 1 16,898 21,122	3 4,281 8,300 2,341	
			5 32,950 14,291	5 323,150 64,274	
					4 20,200 7,631

		BARLEY	OATS	WHEAT	HONEY	BINS & DRYER.	NEW LOANS	NEW LOANS	NEW LOANS	NEW LOANS	• BINS & DRYER.
•	•	NEW LOANS	•	NEW LOANS	•	NEW LOANS	•	NEW LOANS	•	NEW LOANS	• BINS & DRYER.
FLATHEAD	• NO			1		8					
	UNIT			2,700		61,330					
	AMT.			3,429		17,580					
GALLATIN	• NO			6	1	1					
	UNIT			41,276	84,420	3,300					
	AMT.			51,595	16,791	1,416					
GARFIELD	• NO					4					
	UNIT					34,450					
	AMT.					9,343					
GLACIER	• NO			1		13					
	UNIT			4,000		188,549					
	AMT.			7,380		73,296					
GN VALLEY	• NO					2					
	UNIT					8,640					
	AMT.					10,713					
HILL	• NO					3					
	UNIT					41,652					
	AMT.					51,610					
JEFFERSON	• NO			1		3					
	UNIT			12,600		10,620					
	AMT.			11,340		13,275					
JUDTH BASN	• NO					5	2				
	UNIT					33,737	205,920				
	AMT.					41,756	44,066				
LAKE	• NO			1	1						
	UNIT			17,640	32,400						
	AMT.			15,523	40,300						
LEW & CLK	• NO										
	UNIT										
	AMT.										
LIBERTY	• NO					2					
	UNIT					12,214					
	AMT.					15,487					
MCCONE	• NO					4					
	UNIT					29,473					
	AMT.					36,841					
MADISON	• NO						2				
	UNIT						68,904				
	AMT.						14,745				

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	BARLEY	OATS	WHEAT	HONEY	BINS & DRYER.	
	NEW LOANS					
MUSLIMHELL	NO	1	1	1	1	
	UNIT	9,900	9,900	3,300	3,300	
	AMT.	12,276	12,276	1,214	1,214	
PARK	NO					
	UNIT		71,800	1	1	
	AMT.		15,365			
PHILLIPS	NO	2	2	7	7	
	UNIT	37,170	5,580	317,510	35,970	
	AMT.	26,762	6,919	67,806	16,418	
PONDERA	NO	1	1	1	1	
	UNIT	2,000	2,400			
	AMT.	1,620	2,976			
POWELL	NO	1	1			
	UNIT	1,800	1,350			
	AMT.	1,620	1,687			
RAIRIE	NO		1	1	1	
	UNIT		4,680	9,506	9,506	
	AMT.		5,896	2,892	2,892	
RICHLAND	NO	1	5	4	4	
	UNIT	16,200	53,314	38,306	38,306	
	AMT.	6,966	66,641	13,148	13,148	
ROOSEVELT	NO	1	6	4	4	
	UNIT	650	30,261	16,500	16,500	
	AMT.	455	38,160	8,791	8,791	
ROSEBUD	NO			2	2	
	UNIT		151,476	28,300	28,300	
	AMT.		30,545	7,923	7,923	
SANDERS	NO	1	1			
	UNIT	11,610	14,630			
	AMT.			4	4	
SHERIDAN	NO			42,803	24,600	
	UNIT			53,597	7,538	
	AMT.			16	1	
STILLWATER	NO	3	16	94,719	1,350	
	UNIT	7,380	117,469		1,350	
	AMT.	5,904			776	
SWT GRASS	NO	1	1	1	1	
	UNIT	49,500	32,910	4,400	4,400	
	AMT.	61,875	6,545	1,400	1,400	

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		BARLEY	OATS	WHEAT	HONEY	BINS & DRYER.
		• NEW LOANS				
TETON	• NO	1	6	39,094	211,638	3
	UNIT	7,920		48,476	45,290	87,624
	AMT.	6,415				25,445
TOOLE	• NO	1	2	9,082		6
	UNIT	2,000				54,246
	AMT.	1,620				21,466
TREASURE	• NO	11,261	2			
	UNIT		6,706			
	AMT.		8,315			
VALLEY	• NO	1		10,980		5
	UNIT					23,754
	AMT.					8,964
WHEATLAND	• NO	13,615	1			
	UNIT		76,500			
	AMT.		16,371			
WIBAUX	• NO	3				
	UNIT		41,342			
	AMT.		52,090			
YELLOWSTN	• NO	14				4
	UNIT		121,512			
	AMT.		149,868			
STATE	• NO	22	2	164	25	
TOTAL	UNIT	185,862	18,270	1,423,174	1,784,352	220
	AMT.	147,213	8,104	1,769,388	373,184	1,872,101
BINS AND DRYER						637,022

DATA IS FOR 1975 CALENDAR YEAR.

CROPLAND ADJUSTMENT PROGRAM

The year 1975 saw a continuation of the servicing of Cropland Adjustment Program (CAP) agreements that were written in 1966 and 1967. No agreement was entered into for a period in excess of ten years.

Originally 191 agreements were signed by producers to divert 34,967 acres of cropland to conserving use. Of these only 103 agreements covering 18,839 acres were still in effect for the 1975 program year. Thirteen public access agreements involving 2,514 acres were in effect. These acres were open to the public for hunting, fishing, trapping, and hiking.

Haying or grazing of designated acreage not covered by public access agreements was authorized with a very nominal payment reduction assessed for this privilege.



1975 CAP STATISTICS

Regular Agreements

<u>County</u>	No. Agreements	Designated Acreage	Amount Paid
Beaverhead	1	514.6	\$ 8,259.99
Blaine	1	104.4	872.76
Broadwater	1	288.6	1,731.60
Carbon	1	67.6	965.33
Carter	1	372.2	--
Cascade	2	93.0	703.12
Custer	1	40.0	1,874.08
Daniels	2	386.0	3,051.27
Dawson	13	1,561.0	26,361.52
Fallon	10	1,476.4	9,165.65
Fergus	4	251.0	1,296.99
Garfield	2	702.8	5,949.90
Glacier	1	45.0	421.20
McCone	6	1,156.9	6,900.94
Missoula	1	87.0	522.00
Musselshell	3	565.8	3,931.41
Petroleum	4	739.8	3,935.95
Pondera	1	264.9	2,906.07
Powell	1	112.8	--
Prairie	4	1,082.7	6,169.68
Richland	17	3,622.4	29,949.79
Roosevelt	8	1,005.6	9,077.67
Rosebud	1	132.0	1,016.44
Sheridan	7	1,192.9	8,200.34
Teton	2	376.0	2,984.71
Wheatland	2	930.0	6,666.37
Wibaux	5	1,514.0	9,240.11
Yellowstone	1	154.0	1,292.99
TOTALS	103	18,839.4	\$ 153,447.88

Public Access Agreements

<u>County</u>	No. Agreements	Designated Acreage	Amount Paid
Dawson	6	344.0	255.75
Fallon	1	130.7	--
McCone	1	118.0	88.50
Prairie	2	778.8	1,168.20
Sheridan	2	719.8	236.40
Wibaux	1	422.7	--
TOTALS	13	2,514.0	\$ 1,748.85

EMERGENCY LIVESTOCK FEED PROGRAM

The objective of the Livestock Feed Program is to give assistance to eligible livestock owners in designated emergency areas through sales of feed grain at beneficial prices to provide feed for eligible livestock. The program may be instituted in areas certified by the Governor of the State and determined by the Secretary of Agriculture to be short of feed because of flood, drouth, storm or other catastrophe.

Livestockmen participating in the program must establish:

- 1 A loss of feed supplies due to the disaster.
- 2 Inadequate feed supplies on hand.
- 3 Ownership of eligible livestock (essentially basic or foundation herds).
- 4 Proof of undue financial hardship imperiling continuance of his basic ranching operations.

Drought conditions which began in 1973 continued to adversely affect some areas of the state through the fall of 1974. The livestock feed program was extended in these areas to provide assistance through the spring of 1975.

Oats were shipped into the area from CCC stocks in North Dakota. The maximum daily allowance per animal unit was set at 10 lbs. per AU per day. The price to livestockmen was set at 100 % of the local county loan rate.

The program was terminated on June 14, 1975.

1974-1975 Emergency Livestock Feed Program

County	# applicants	(Grain) Bu. Sold	Animal Units Approved
Cascade	50	75,339	9,788
Glacier	125	451,588	37,610
Judith Basin	35	28,086	10,466
Liberty	40	77,827	4,998
Powell	33	21,446	6,454
Silver Bow	39	39,388	3,955
Teton	51	29,925	10,017
Toole	90	238,075	9,833
TOTALS	463	961,674	93,121

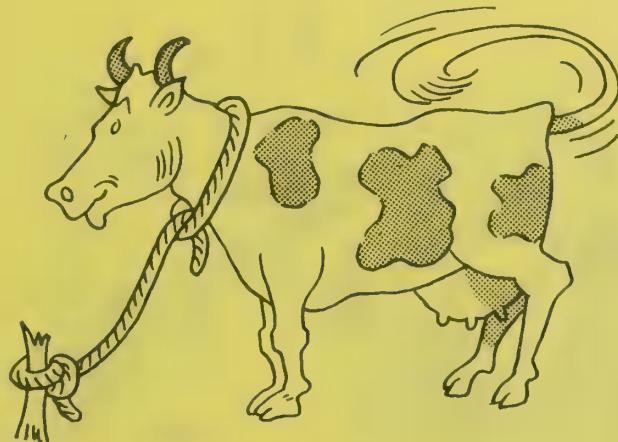


MILK INDEMNITY PAYMENT PROGRAM

The Milk Indemnity Payment Program provides for payments to farmers who, through no fault of their own, have been directed to remove milk from commercial markets because it contained residues of chemicals registered and approved by USDA for use at the time of such use. These payments continue until the farmers have been reinstated and are again allowed to dispose of their milk in commercial channels.

The intent of the program is that an affected dairyman will receive - from all sources - no more than he would have received if he had produced and marketed a quantity equal to his normal marketings.

In 1975, one payment for \$3,848.00 was made to a Lake County producer for diverting approximately 50,000 pounds of milk.



WATER BANK PROGRAM

There has been concern for many years over the diminishing amount of wetland habitat available to wildlife. The Water Bank Act has as its goal the preservation, restoration and improvement of the Nation's wetlands for the benefit of migratory waterfowl. The program provides for ten year agreements with annual payments to preserve those wetlands and adjacent uplands used by waterfowl for nesting. The program began in 1972 and the annual payments by county made during 1975 in Montana are as follows:

<u>County</u>	<u>No. of Agreements</u>	<u>Wetland Acres</u>	<u>Adjacent Up-land Acres</u>	<u>Payments</u>
Daniels	18	365.0	907.2	\$ 10,967
Glacier	2	62.5	251.0	3,369
Pondera	12	224.9	442.0	7,222
Roosevelt	10	318.6	643.3	8,059
Sheridan	15	414.1	1,328.6	15,624
Teton	4	219.6	600.9	8,910
Toole	15	342.2	768.7	10,569
TOTALS	76	1,946.9	4,941.7	\$ 64,720



WHEAT & FEED GRAIN DISASTER PROGRAMS

The Agriculture and Consumer Protection Act of 1973 provides for wheat and feed grain disaster programs for the crop years 1974 through 1977. Although the law provides for the set-aside of cropland as a payment eligibility provision the Secretary determined that none would be required for 1975 and that there would be no seeding restrictions. The programs afforded producers having wheat and feed grain allotments an opportunity to:

1. Earn deficiency payments to maintain reasonable farm income in the event of low market prices.
2. Earn disaster payments to help offset crop losses they may suffer that are attributable to a natural disaster.

Deficiency payments - Payments were authorized to be made whenever the average market price during the first 5 months of the marketing year for the commodity fell below the established price. The established prices were: Wheat - \$2.05, Barley - \$1.13, Corn - \$1.38, and Grain Sorghum - \$1.30. The payment was to be computed by multiplying the farm allotment times the established farm yield times the difference between the established price and the 5 month average market price. Inasmuch as the 5 month average market price did not fall below the established price for any of the program crops no deficiency payments were made in 1975.

Disaster payments - There were two types of disaster payments - those for prevented planting and those for abnormally low yields. In both cases the COC was required to determine that the prevented planting or low yield was caused by a natural disaster or reason beyond the control of the producer.

The disaster per bushel payment rates by commodity were: Wheat - 68¢, Corn - 46¢, Barley - 38¢, and Grain Sorghum - 44¢.

Prevented planting payments were authorized to be made on an acreage equal to the difference between the actual plantings of annual non-conserving crops and the smaller of the sum of the wheat and feed grain allotments or the intended plantings. The underplanted commodity acreage for payment was determined by prorating the total approved underplanting to the various commodity allotments on the farm.

Low yield payments were authorized when the producer's total bushel production (actual and appraised) fell below the farm's disaster yield times the smaller of the allotment or seeded acreage. The farm's disaster yield for a commodity was computed by multiplying the farm established yield by a factor determined by dividing the county's ten year average yield by its current year check yield for that commodity. Eligibility for payment was determined by programs separately unless the farm was in substitution, in which event the combined allotments and production were considered. A farm was considered in substitution if the wheat allotment was overseeded and the total feed grain allotment underseeded or vice versa. Once a farm was determined eligible for payment the earned amount was computed by multiplying the bushels of under-production by the bushel payment rate.

The wheat and feed grain disaster program statistics found on the following pages were extracted from the statistical report compiled by the computer as of July 31, 1976.



1975 WHEAT PROGRAM

<u>County</u>	<u>Number of Farms</u>	<u>Allotment Acres</u>
Beaverhead	47	9,010
Big Horn	338	63,947
Blaine	473	84,208
Broadwater	128	25,784
Carbon	321	26,202
Carter	155	25,604
Cascade	698	123,610
Chouteau	1,049	329,058
Custer	172	22,066
Daniels	606	196,065
Dawson	562	125,745
Deer Lodge	16	1,013
Fallon	328	81,690
Fergus	751	152,039
Flathead	508	23,000
Gallatin	541	60,670
Garfield	190	40,318
Glacier	220	52,350
Golden Valley	110	17,102
Granite	15	630
Hill	778	299,959
Jefferson	28	7,701
Judith Basin	340	77,947
Lake	210	13,037
Lewis & Clark	101	13,220
Liberty	350	156,699
Lincoln	9	251
McCone	557	158,764
Madison	74	8,642
Meagher	32	4,089
Mineral	11	420
Missoula	90	6,015
Musselshell	103	15,183
Park	168	21,032
Petroleum	49	6,436
Phillips	390	86,516
Pondera	532	144,909
Powder River	182	27,501
Powell	48	3,775
Prairie	187	35,580
Ravalli	90	4,071
Richland	760	134,955
Roosevelt	1,016	243,895
Rosebud	159	22,430
Sanders	70	5,237
Sheridan	893	211,765
Silver Bow	1	4
Stillwater	286	59,617
Sweet Grass	109	10,314
Teton	733	159,078
Toole	448	151,057
Treasure	47	4,675
Valley	1,029	219,208
Wheatland	81	10,108
Wibaux	281	52,781
Yellowstone	679	77,547
TOTALS	18,149	3,914,529

1975 FEED GRAIN PROGRAM

County	Barley		Corn		Feed Grain Reserve
	Number Farms	Allotment Acres	Number Farms	Allotment Acres	Acres Held
Beaverhead	61	4,802			28
Big Horn	310	24,170	91	2,082	21
Blaine	441	43,748	35	1,057	27
Broadwater	128	8,687	10	176	26
Carbon	305	8,998	67	889	151
Carter	143	7,450	96	3,494	9
Cascade	641	49,872	26	749	26
Chouteau	1,037	146,623	24	630	5
Custer	125	6,149	116	3,794	5
Daniels	576	45,583	54	1,714	7
Dawson	511	28,886	277	11,507	55
Deer Lodge	15	906			10
Fallon	301	15,959	224	11,728	23
Fergus	718	59,033	17	517	50
Flathead	474	13,741	9	72	3
Gallatin	511	25,488	21	354	51
Garfield	165	10,314	45	1,212	24
Glacier	239	78,649			303
Golden Valley	97	4,787	8	50	9
Granite	24	938			10
Hill	767	142,812	19	320	147
Jefferson	39	2,744			31
Judith Basin	334	29,153	3	87	112
Lake	182	4,303	10	128	14
Lewis & Clark	94	5,516	3	71	28
Liberty	345	65,239	3	77	2
Lincoln	4	33			
McCone	509	34,070	181	5,285	41
Madison	80	3,344	2	19	17
Meagher	27	2,536			10
Mineral	9	145			5
Missoula	94	2,747	3	54	6
Musselshell	95	4,529	18	549	16
Park	142	7,148			26
Petroleum	52	3,569	9	155	5
Phillips	321	20,952	50	993	302
Pondera	533	82,131			19
Powder River	143	5,149	30	596	49
Powell	52	2,763	1	86	20
Prairie	145	5,418	135	4,402	20
Ravalli	110	3,206	25	314	10
Richland	706	32,244	423	14,680	107
Roosevelt	937	48,063	239	6,921	56
Rosebud	138	8,324	68	1,975	21
Sanders	78	1,933			36
Sheridan	851	61,599	163	4,151	199
Silver Bow	3	30			
Stillwater	315	20,597	39	771	2
Sweet Grass	139	6,743	2	11	-
Teton	715	64,084	12	101	63
Toole	451	95,464	3	62	96
Treasure	61	1,850	57	2,100	7
Valley	927	67,412	78	2,365	106
Wheatland	88	6,114			10
Wibaux	222	9,418	174	8,109	30
Yellowstone	671	30,958	356	5,999	126
TOTALS	17,201	1,467,123	3,226	100,406	2,582

1975 WHEAT AND FEED GRAIN PROGRAMS
Low Yield

County	Producer Net Payment (\$)			Production for Payment (bu.)		
	Corn	Barley	Wheat	Corn	Barley	Wheat
Big Horn	2,080	15,905		5,474	23,389	
Blaine	1,302	2,599		3,426	3,822	
Broadwater	3,551	1,146		9,346	1,686	
Carbon	1,604	2,332	1,153	3,488	6,137	1,696
Carter	7,071	60,854		18,608	89,491	
Cascade	16,062	8,138	57,055	34,917	21,415	83,905
Chouteau	19,311	184,168		50,819	270,836	
Custer	450	804	16,028	979	2,115	23,570
Dawson	2,022	8,808	21,089	4,395	23,180	31,013
Fallon		9,882	49,923		26,006	73,416
Fergus		23,911	125,813		62,923	185,019
Flathead		3,537	13,741		9,307	20,207
Gallatin		5,452	12,593		14,348	18,519
Garfield		242	3,357		638	4,937
Glacier		1,856			4,885	
Golden Valley		3,076	12,209		8,095	17,955
Granite		267	1,782		703	2,620
Hill		12,000	14,315		31,580	21,052
Jefferson			1,359			1,999
Judith Basin		11,233	73,189		29,559	107,631
Lake			1,037			1,525
Lewis & Clark		674	2,816		1,774	4,141
Liberty			10,286			15,126
Lincoln		85	597		224	878
McCone		25,401	164,111		66,844	241,339
Meagher			865			1,272
Mineral			516			759
Missoula		7,139	6,019		18,786	8,851
Musselshell			1,969			2,896
Park		11,020	29,479		29,000	43,352
Petroleum		494	896		1,299	1,317
Phillips		2,497	1,108		6,570	1,629
Pondera		8,646	1,102		22,753	1,621
Powder River		5,110	34,940		13,447	51,383
Powell		126	724		332	1,064
Ravalli		303	4,063		798	5,975
Richland	4,114	1,009	11,818	8,944	2,654	17,379
Roosevelt			2,812			4,136
Rosebud	4,130	755	6,247	8,979	1,988	9,187
Sanders		3,999	14,417		10,523	21,202
Sheridan			15,218			22,379
Stillwater		5,242	6,501		13,795	9,560
Sweet Grass		2,176			5,727	
Teton		20,996	38,139		55,253	56,087
Toole			6,013			8,843
Treasure		201			529	
Valley	3,091	2,348	24,480	6,719	6,180	36,000
Wheatland		1,227	10,307		3,228	15,158
Wibaux		1,107	7,229		2,912	10,631
Yellowstone	395	14,218	12,391	859	37,415	18,222
TOTALS	31,868	239,626	1,084,378	69,280	630,595	1,594,675

1975 WHEAT AND FEED GRAIN PROGRAMS
Prevented Planting

County	Producer Net Payment (\$)			Production for Payment (bu.)		
	Corn	Barley	Wheat	Corn	Barley	Wheat
Big Horn	3,508	11,083	8,741	7,627	29,165	12,854
Carbon	378	4,517	21,393	821	11,886	31,461
Carter	568	804	8,560	1,235	2,116	12,588
Cascade		1,804	4,679		4,748	6,881
Fergus		131	4,718		345	6,938
Gallatin		36	3,294		94	4,844
Judith Basin		2,607			6,860	
Lewis & Clark		63	231		167	340
Missoula			30	95		80
Park			50	2,740		132
Phillips				711		1,046
Powell		643	1,060		1,692	1,558
Sheridan		552	384		1,452	564
Stillwater		5,036	8,433		13,253	12,402
Teton	148	985	3,877	322	2,592	5,701
Yellowstone		1,205	811		3,171	1,193
TOTALS	4,602	29,546	69,727	10,005	77,753	102,539

1975 WHEAT AND FEED GRAIN PROGRAM
Net Payments to Producers
Prevented Planting and Low Yield

County	Corn	Barley	Wheat	Total
Big Horn	\$ 3,508	\$ 13,163	\$ 24,645	\$ 41,316
Blaine		1,302	2,599	3,901
Broadwater		3,551	1,146	4,698
Carbon	1,982	6,849	22,547	31,378
Carter	568	7,875	69,414	77,857
Cascade	16,062	9,942	61,734	87,738
Chouteau		19,311	184,168	203,480
Custer	450	804	16,028	17,282
Dawson	2,022	8,808	21,089	31,919
Fallon		9,882	49,923	59,805
Fergus		24,042	130,531	154,573
Flathead		3,537	13,741	17,277
Gallatin		5,488	15,887	21,375
Garfield		242	3,357	3,600
Glacier		1,856		1,856
Golden Valley		3,076	12,209	15,286
Granite		267	1,782	2,049
Hill		12,000	14,315	26,316
Jefferson			1,359	1,359
Judith Basin		13,839	73,189	87,029
Lake			1,037	1,037
Lewis & Clark		737	3,047	3,784
Liberty			10,286	10,286
Lincoln		85	597	682
McCone		25,401	164,111	189,511
Meagher			865	865
Mineral			516	516
Missoula		7,169	6,113	13,282
Musselshell			1,969	1,969
Park		11,070	32,220	43,290
Petroleum		494	896	1,389
Phillips		2,497	1,819	4,316
Pondera		8,646	1,102	9,748
Powder River		5,110	34,940	40,050
Powell		769	1,783	2,553
Ravalli		303	4,063	4,366
Richland	4,114	1,009	11,818	16,941
Roosevelt			2,812	2,812
Rosebud	4,130	755	6,247	11,133
Sanders		3,999	14,417	18,416
Sheridan		552	15,601	16,153
Stillwater		10,278	14,934	25,213
Sweet Grass		2,176		2,176
Teton	148	21,981	42,016	64,145
Toole			6,013	6,013
Treasure		201		201
Valley	3,091	2,348	24,480	29,919
Wheatland		1,227	10,307	11,534
Wibaux		1,107	7,229	8,336
Yellowstone	395	15,423	13,202	29,020
TOTALS	36,470	269,171	1,154,103	1,459,750

1975 WHEAT AND FEED GRAIN PROGRAMS
Production for Payment (Bu.)

County	Corn	Barley	Wheat
Big Horn	7,627	34,639	36,243
Blaine		3,426	3,822
Broadwater		9,346	1,686
Carbon	4,309	18,023	33,157
Carter	1,235	20,724	102,080
Cascade	34,917	26,163	90,786
Chouteau		50,819	270,836
Custer	979	2,115	23,570
Dawson	4,395	23,180	31,013
Fallon		26,006	73,416
Fergus		63,268	191,957
Flathead		9,307	20,207
Gallatin		14,442	23,363
Garfield		638	4,937
Glacier		4,885	
Golden Valley		8,095	17,955
Granite		703	2,620
Hill		31,580	21,052
Jefferson			1,999
Judith Basin		36,420	107,631
Lake			1,525
Lewis & Clark		1,941	4,481
Liberty			15,126
Lincoln		224	878
McCone		66,844	241,339
Meagher			1,272
Mineral			759
Missoula		18,866	8,990
Musselshell			2,896
Park		29,132	47,382
Petroleum		1,299	1,317
Phillips		6,570	2,675
Pondera		22,753	1,621
Powder River		13,447	51,383
Powell		2,024	2,623
Ravalli		798	5,975
Richland	8,944	2,654	17,379
Roosevelt			4,136
Rosebud	8,979	1,988	9,187
Sanders		10,523	21,202
Sheridan		1,452	22,943
Stillwater		27,048	21,962
Sweet Grass		5,727	
Teton	322	57,845	61,788
Toole			8,843
Treasure		529	
Valley	6,719	6,180	36,000
Wheatland		3,228	15,158
Wibaux		2,912	10,631
Yellowstone	859	40,587	19,415
TOTALS	79,285	708,350	1,697,216

COMPLIANCE

In general, compliance with program requirements was determined by producer certification with administrative control visits being made on a random selection basis of the participating farms. Farms applying for wheat or feed grain disaster credit were all checked to determine extent of the disaster unless the county committee had prior knowledge of the disaster conditions. All farm-stored production was measured on farms applying for disaster payment. The wheat acreage was determined on all farms that certified acreage for proven wheat yield purposes.

Producer measurement service was made available to all farmers for the purpose of determining official acreages on new breaking or changes in field boundaries and for determining quantities of farm-stored commodities. When done at the producer's request and for his convenience a nominal charge was made for this service.



1975 WHEAT AND FEED GRAIN DISASTER PROGRAMS

County	Certifi-cations	Checks	Discrepancies
Beaverhead	0	0	0
Big Horn	31	27	1
Blaine	9	6	0
Broadwater	2	2	0
Carbon	27	27	0
Carter	31	31	2
Cascade	66	10	0
Chouteau	670	105	0
Custer	11	11	1
Daniels	0	0	0
Dawson	35	18	0
Deer Lodge	0	0	0
Fallon	45	39	1
Fergus	68	19	0
Flathead	20	11	0
Gallatin	36	15	0
Garfield	10	7	0
Glacier	5	1	0
Golden Valley	17	3	0
Granite	4	4	0
Hill	16	14	0
Jefferson	1	1	1
Judith Basin	70	11	0
Lake	2	2	0
Lewis & Clark	6	6	0
Liberty	0	0	0
Lincoln	1	1	0
McCone	92	25	2
Meagher	1	1	0
Mineral	3	3	0
Missoula	10	8	2
Musselshell	5	3	0
Park	28	7	0
Petroleum	2	2	0
Phillips	4	3	0
Pondera	4	3	0
Powder River	23	18	0
Powell	5	5	0
Prairie	0	0	0
Ravalli	1	1	0
Richland	51	14	0
Roosevelt	5	3	0
Rosebud	6	6	1
Sanders	20	13	0
Sheridan	12	10	0
Stillwater	22	20	0
Sweet Grass	1	1	0
Teton	87	9	0
Toole	1	1	0
Treasure	2	2	0
Valley	25	14	1
Wheatland	10	10	0
Wibaux	9	9	0
Yellowstone	61	26	0
TOTALS	1,673	588	12

1975 WHEAT PROVEN YIELDS

County	Certifications	Checks	Discrepancies
Beaverhead	0	0	0
Big Horn	71	25	0
Blaine	315	40	0
Broadwater	0	0	0
Carbon	0	0	0
Carter	0	0	0
Cascade	530	48	0
Chouteau	4	4	0
Custer	42	23	0
Daniels	96	27	0
Dawson	361	69	1
Deer Lodge	0	0	0
Fallon	149	31	0
Fergus	48	18	0
Flathead	32	14	0
Gallatin	4	2	0
Garfield	52	18	0
Glacier	49	11	0
Golden Valley	68	24	0
Granite		0	0
Hill	125	29	0
Jefferson	0	0	0
Judith Basin	217	40	0
Lake	21	12	0
Lewis & Clark	0	0	0
Liberty	310	44	0
Lincoln	0	0	0
McCone	72	20	0
Meagher	0	0	0
Mineral	1	1	0
Missoula	9	9	1
Musselshell	28	14	0
Park	9	0	0
Petroleum	0	0	0
Phillips	169	46	2
Pondera	361	39	0
Powder River	9	8	0
Powell	0	0	0
Prairie	90	24	0
Ravalli	1	1	0
Richland	83	21	0
Roosevelt	106	25	0
Rosebud	5	5	1
Sanders	0	0	0
Sheridan	32	20	0
Stillwater	39	18	0
Sweet Grass	1	1	0
Teton	508	89	0
Toole	312	58	2
Treasure	1	1	1
Valley	7	7	0
Wheatland	0	0	0
Wibaux	70	19	0
Yellowstone	0	0	0
TOTALS	4,407	905	8

1975 ACP and REAP

County	Subject to Check	ACP		REAP	
		Checked	Discrep- ancies	Checked	Disc.
Beaverhead	11	10	0	10	0
Big Horn	14	11	0	10	0
Blaine	56	22	0	9	0
Broadwater	0	0	0	0	0
Carbon	51	15	0	0	0
Carter	28	15	0	0	0
Cascade	0	0	0	0	0
Chouteau	80	8	0	4	0
Custer	30	8	0	10	0
Daniels	23	9	0	13	0
Dawson	36	10	0	31	0
Deer Lodge	0	0	0	10	0
Fallon	30	6	0	0	0
Fergus	58	19	0	12	0
Flathead	21	14	0	5	0
Gallatin	72	23	0	6	0
Garfield	14	4	1	3	0
Glacier	40	11	0	10	0
Golden Valley	19	9	0	4	0
Granite	0	0	0	10	3
Hill	17	6	0	2	0
Jefferson	17	12	3	1	0
Judith Basin	64	14	0	3	0
Lake	54	19	1	13	1
Lewis & Clark	0	0	0	0	0
Liberty	8	1	0	3	0
Lincoln	1	1	0	1	0
McCone	17	11	0	11	0
Madison	0	0	0	0	0
Meagher	14	12	0	0	0
Mineral	6	6	0	4	0
Missoula	37	24	0	4	0
Musselshell	10	3	0	5	0
Park	23	9	0	2	0
Petroleum	2	2	0	2	0
Phillips	104	2	0	10	0
Pondera	57	20	0	19	2
Powder River	12	11	0	6	0
Powell	0	0	0	19	5
Prairie	18	18	5	2	0
Ravalli	34	16	0	8	0
Richland	14	5	0	2	0
Roosevelt	50	14	1	10	0
Rosebud	17	5	1	3	0
Sanders	51	16	0	6	0
Sheridan	49	27	1	6	0
Silver Bow	0	0	0	0	0
Stillwater	48	20	0	0	0
Sweet Grass	35	10	0	17	0
Teton	54	19	0	2	0
Toole	11	5	1	6	0
Treasure	7	3	0	2	0
Valley	22	11	1	6	0
Wheatland	8	4	0	0	0
Wibaux	109	19	0	27	0
Yellowstone	50	8	0	0	0
TOTALS	1,603	547	15	349	11

COMPLIANCE DETERMINATIONS - CAP and WBP

County	CAP		WBP	
	Certifications	Checks	Certifications	Checks
Beaverhead	1	1		
Blaine	1	1		
Carbon	1	1		
Cascade	2	2		
Daniels	2	2	17	10
Dawson	13	13		
Fallon	10	6		
Fergus	4	4		
Garfield	2	1		
Glacier	1	1	2	1
Pondera			12	10
Powell	1	1		
Roosevelt	8	8	8	8
Sheridan	7	7	15	11
Teton	2	2		
Toole			15	5
Wheatland	5	5		
Yellowstone	1	1		
TOTALS	61	56	69	45

No discrepancies in either CAP or WBP.

WOOL

Payments on shorn wool have been authorized since passage of the National Wool Act of 1954 as a means of encouraging increased domestic production. In recent years the incentive price has been fixed by formula to reflect parity index changes. The Agricultural and Consumer Protection Act of 1973 extended the program through 1977 and provided that the incentive price for the years 1974 through 1977 would be 72 cents per pound.

The objective of the program is to encourage production of approximately 300 million pounds of shorn wool annually at prices fair to producers and consumers and in a manner which will have the least adverse effect on foreign trade.

Payments are based on the difference between the incentive price--72 cents per pound for the 1974 marketing (Calendar) year--and the average price received by producers for all wool sold during the marketing year.

Computation of the incentive payment as a percent of each grower's return encourages him to produce the quality of wool the market demands and to market it at the best price obtainable.

Incentive payments are also made on the basis of the liveweight of shorn lambs marketed. This is designed to discourage unusual shearing of lambs prior to marketing.

The National Wool Act also recognized the desirability of increasing the market for wool and lambs and provided that growers could finance this market development. The Act authorized deductions from payments, after approval by growers in referendum, for the purpose of conducting advertising and sales promotion programs. Promotion programs are carried out in accordance with an agreement between the Secretary of Agriculture and the American Sheep Producers Council. The present agreement was approved by about 85 percent of the producers voting in the 1974 referendum.

The National average price received by growers for wool sold in 1974 was 59.1 cents per pound. Payments were made at the rate of 21.8 % on shorn wool market receipts and 52 cents per hundredweight for unshorn lambs. Funds were furnished to the American Sheep Producers Council at the maximum rate of 1-1/2 ¢ per pound for shorn wool and 7-1/2 ¢ per hundredweight of unshorn lambs.



1974 MARKETING YEAR

County	INCENTIVE EARNED ¢ per pound	Total	Promotion Fund Ded.	Net Payment To Producers	<u>1/</u>
Beaverhead	13.9	\$ 36,547	3,933	\$ 32,614	
Big Horn	13.9	4,550	479	4,071	
Blaine	12.1	10,273	1,275	8,908	
Broadwater	13.3	7,646	860	6,786	
Carbon	13.1	27,118	3,094	24,024	
Carter	18.9	141,638	11,145	130,493	
Cascade	11.2	15,207	1,550	13,657	
Chouteau	11.6	4,075	525	3,550	
Custer	13.7	14,349	1,571	12,778	
Daniels	12.5	1,803	216	1,586	
Dawson	12.1	4,287	532	3,755	
Deer Lodge	15.9	2,435	230	2,205	
Fallon	13.9	9,253	1,000	8,253	
Fergus	12.0	11,563	1,445	10,118	
Flathead	13.7	1,860	203	1,657	
Gallatin	15.2	15,548	1,531	14,017	
Garfield	14.8	84,092	8,550	75,542	
Glacier	11.3	711	94	617	
Golden Valley	13.5	3,560	397	3,163	
Granite	13.9	848	92	756	
Hill	11.8	995	132	864	
Jefferson	12.0	1,629	207	1,422	
Judith Basin	13.7	5,903	736	5,167	
Lake	13.9	2,752	302	2,450	
Lewis & Clark	10.4	14,840	1,606	13,233	
Liberty	13.5	42	6	36	
Lincoln	16.1	128	14	113	
McCone	11.6	25,602	2,391	23,212	
Madison	17.0	7,753	999	6,754	
Meagher	13.9	7,118	626	6,491	
Mineral	13.9	278	30	248	
Missoula	14.8	758	82	676	
Musselshell	12.3	20,307	2,047	18,259	
Park	13.9	5,371	656	4,715	
Petroleum	13.5	7,985	829	7,155	
Phillips	11.6	19,645	2,181	17,465	
Pondera	17.3	9,088	1,171	7,918	
Powder River	12.7	42,384	3,659	38,725	
Powell	13.1	3,759	444	3,315	
Prairie	13.8	7,175	823	6,352	
Ravalli	11.2	10,606	1,160	9,536	
Richland	12.0	9,618	1,100	8,518	
Roosevelt	14.0	1,511	189	1,321	
Rosebud	13.8	21,434	2,302	19,132	
Sanders	10.6	1,177	128	1,049	
Sheridan	11.7	184	26	158	
Silver Bow	14.0	77	10	67	
Stillwater	14.0	21,571	2,302	19,269	
Sweet Grass	14.7	28,623	2,918	25,705	
Teton	12.3	7,084	865	6,219	
Toole	11.1	5,625	763	4,862	
Treasure	14.9	3,019	303	2,716	
Valley	12.5	8,214	983	7,231	
Wheatland	14.2	25,447	2,692	22,756	
Wibaux	12.5	3,360	404	2,957	
Yellowstone	13.7	6,639	726	5,913	
TOTALS		735,154	74,534	660,619	

1/ Payment earned less promotion fund deductions is net payment to producer

1974 MARKETING YEAR

Shorn Wool

County	No. of applic.	Pounds of Wool Sold	Sales Proceeds	
			Ave. ¢ per lb.	Total
Beaverhead	59	262,242	63.9	\$ 167,651
Big Horn	32	32,688	64.9	21,227
Blaine	48	85,039	55.4	47,125
Broadwater	17	57,347	61.2	35,074
Carbon	113	206,922	60.3	124,716
Carter	131	747,727	87.2	651,952
Cascade	29	135,086	62.9	84,899
Chouteau	12	35,020	53.4	18,694
Custer	24	104,831	62.8	65,860
Daniels	2	14,432	57.3	8,270
Dawson	24	35,482	55.5	19,676
Deer Lodge	3	15,327	72.9	11,170
Fallon	27	66,691	63.6	42,445
Fergus	56	96,338	55.1	53,043
Flathead	38	13,609	62.9	8,556
Gallatin	89	102,069	69.9	71,322
Garfield	63	570,024	67.7	385,744
Glacier	7	6,269	52.0	3,262
Golden Valley	19	26,439	61.8	16,330
Granite	8	6,114	63.6	3,888
Hill	16	8,814	52.0	4,584
Jefferson	17	13,772	54.2	7,471
Judith Basin	27	49,096	55.2	27,079
Lake	53	20,133	62.7	12,624
Lewis & Clark	22	107,089	63.6	68,071
Liberty	1	406	48.0	195
Lincoln	3	945	62.0	585
McCone	31	159,374	73.7	117,501
Madison	69	66,596	53.4	35,568
Meagher	3	41,767	78.2	32,651
Mineral	5	1,997	63.8	1,275
Missoula	22	5,454	63.7	3,475
Musselshell	29	137,262	68.1	93,512
Park	52	43,772	56.3	24,640
Petroleum	10	57,407	65.6	37,638
Phillips	40	145,382	62.0	90,115
Pondera	26	78,056	53.4	41,694
Powder River	65	244,405	70.6	194,648
Powell	18	29,599	58.3	17,242
Prairie	17	54,895	60.0	32,913
Ravalli	146	77,709	63.4	49,231
Richland	31	86,061	58.3	50,181
Roosevelt	10	12,628	54.9	6,930
Rosebud	12	153,464	64.1	98,321
Sanders	12	8,553	63.1	5,399
Sheridan	2	1,733	48.8	846
Silver Bow	2	655	53.8	352
Stillwater	95	154,211	64.4	99,291
Sweet Grass	96	194,619	67.5	131,320
Teton	25	57,673	56.3	32,405
Toole	8	50,841	50.8	25,803
Treasure	4	20,228	68.5	13,848
Valley	33	65,540	57.5	37,679
Wheatland	38	179,446	65.1	116,731
Wibaux	16	26,915	57.3	15,414
Yellowstone	64	48,385	62.9	30,455
TOTALS	1,921	5,024,580		3,398,681

1974 MARKETING YEAR

Unshorn Lambs

County	Weight of Lambs Sold (Pounds)	Payment Earned	Promotion Fund Ded.
Beaverhead	1,701,559	\$ 8,848	\$ 1,276
Big Horn	233,540	1,214	175
Blaine	615,838	3,202	462
Broadwater	209,375	1,089	157
Carbon	1,182,266	6,148	887
Carter	4,767,469	24,791	3,576
Cascade	677,797	3,525	508
Chouteau	134,105	697	101
Custer	874,688	4,548	656
Daniels	153,910	800	115
Dawson	422,223	2,196	317
Deer Lodge	49,620	258	37
Fallon	394,111	2,049	296
Fergus	765,626	3,981	574
Flathead	74,099	385	56
Gallatin	452,354	2,352	339
Garfield	2,598,125	13,510	1,949
Glacier	64,615	336	48
Golden Valley	460,295	2,394	345
Granite	32,805	171	25
Hill	31,450	164	24
Jefferson	88,858	462	67
Judith Basin	494,925	2,574	371
Lake	162,684	846	122
Lewis & Clark	578,207	3,007	434
Liberty	--	--	--
Lincoln	4,935	31	4
McCone	1,012,835	5,267	760
Madison	600,445	3,122	450
Meagher	207,670	1,080	156
Mineral	14,380	75	11
Missoula	44,970	234	34
Musselshell	841,298	4,375	631
Park	314,025	1,633	235
Petroleum	176,845	920	133
Phillips	621,353	3,231	466
Pondera	368,102	1,914	276
Powder River	1,489,618	7,754	1,118
Powell	223,731	1,163	168
Prairie	255,201	1,327	191
Ravalli	749,626	3,898	562
Richland	935,247	4,863	701
Roosevelt	193,930	1,008	145
Rosebud	680,400	3,538	510
Sanders	53,259	277	40
Sheridan	75,905	395	57
Silver Bow	3,330	17	2
Stillwater	1,060,871	5,517	796
Sweet Grass	1,468,450	7,636	1,101
Teton	920,928	4,789	691
Toole	302,505	1,573	227
Treasure	122,701	638	92
Valley	322,893	1,679	242
Wheatland	1,091,352	5,675	818
Wibaux	191,344	995	143
Yellowstone	454,254	2,362	341
TOTALS	32,024,007	166,533	24,018

